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One interested in our Zion cannot fail to note, and rejoice in, the peace and beautiful harmony prevailing in the ranks of Mississippi Baptists. It is not the peace of Onward.

death, but that aggressive, harmonious peace which lubricates every part causing all to move without friction towards the accomplishment of one common end.

It occurs to one who has been a fairly close observer of Baptist affairs in Mississippi for at least 20 years, that the right of way was never so clear for us to do the greatest work of our lives during the current year. There is no dodging the fact that our Baptist forces are developing, not rapidly, to be sure, but steadily. May the Lord of the harvest move every laborer in the vineyard, from the least unto the greatest, to aim at more during this year than ever before. Let onward be our watchword.

It is claimed by some, who ought to know better, that the baptism of the 3,000 believers on the day of Pentecost could not have been by "immersion" for the reason that so many as that could not have been immersed in one day.

Baptism of the 3,000. On the 3rd day of July, 1878, at Ongole, India, Rev. John E. Clough, through his assistants, six native preachers, in nine hours immersed 2,222 persons. Two of them were baptizing at the same time, relieving each other when they became tired; and they did it decently and in order, repeating the full formula every time.

We have heard Dr. Clough tell this twice ourselves, and read it in the books and papers time and again.

Now if six men can baptize 2,222 in nine hours, how long would it take Peter and his assistants (to the number of 120, many of whom were qualified to administer the ordinance) to have baptized the 3,000 on the day of Pentecost?

If words had no meaning, the time limit would be as favorable to immersion as its staunchest advocates could wish.

Protect the Children. Monday night as we sat at our desk, we heard the fall of hurried feet at the door, and there were half-a-dozen small boys and girls with a petition to sign asking the noble governor of our great State to urge the legislature, which was to convene the next day, to give us an enactment that will forbid the sale of whisky and kindred spirits in the State.

We signed the petition, and on the children rushed to the next house; but, when their laughter had died away in the distance, the thought of their mission to our

study that cold night, still lingered with us. Surely, if these dear, sweet children could call at the threshold of every voter in the commonwealth, no man would, or could, fail to sign their petition—certainly no father with his children about him could refuse to do so. It requires the lives of about 60,000 boys and men every year, or 25,000,000 every generation to keep the fires of this modern Moloch burning. One family in every five must furnish a boy, or else, some families will be called upon to furnish more than one.

If we are not willing to feed the flames of its eternal burning with some one from our own hearthstones, then surely, we are in favor of a general uprising of the people to dispute the claim of this modern Moloch to our boys.

Let us make quick work of him once for all—in the name of our honor, our children, our country, and our God.

In his charge to the Hinds county grand jury last Monday, Judge Powell took high

A Strong Charge.

ground on the enforcement of law. With respect to the violations of the liquor law, the judge delivered himself in the following ringing words; which ought to be read by every citizen of the commonwealth, and especially by the officers of the law. They are brave words, especially when he tackles the clubs, and why should these not be raided just as other tigers:

"I desire you to look into the sale of intoxicating liquors. There are a great many good people who believe that logically the legislature should enact a general prohibition law for the entire State and punish its violations as a felony.

They argue that the State should not think of granting a license to inoculate the people with smallpox or yellow fever and that the same considerations for the public welfare should forbid the licensing of the saloon. They urge that while one slays its thousands, the other slays its tens of thousands.

Be this as it may, we all agree that without any compensating benefits whisky has degraded manhood, pauperized homes, made widows and orphans; has dragged down the gray hairs of mothers and fathers in shame to the grave, has chilled the laughter on childish lips. But this is a matter for the legislature.

Our duty is alone to see to the suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors. In this connection I desire to congratulate our city officials, our excellent sheriff and other officers for their earnest and persistent efforts to suppress the illegal traffic.

I wish to say to these officials that to break up the evil you must strike higher. I am told and have reason to believe that there are clubs and societies in this city with large and respectable memberships which openly and notoriously permit the sale of whisky, and have rooms where gambling is continually carried on. Remember, gentlemen, that no charter can protect violators of the law.

Raid these institutions, gentlemen, where you have reasonable grounds for believing that they are violating the law, and let it be known that there is no man or set of men so strong that the long arm of the law cannot reach them.

It is your duty, gentlemen of the jury, to uphold the hands of the officials and push forward the line of battle in this direction. We have already reformed some of the worst of the blind tigers and I do not despair in time of exterminating the breed, even though we have to invade the precincts of a chartered club."

The Hon. Thomas B. Reed was quoted some time ago in the Youth's Companion as saying that "prohibition" had been in vogue so long in the Pine Tree State that the appetite for drink was rapidly being outgrown by the people. So prohibition not only prohibits, but eliminates the "taste" in a few generations.

Maine has had prohibition for fifty years, and still has it, while Massachusetts has a well enforced license law. Last year in Maine there were 831 persons in prison, while in Massachusetts there were 7,451. In Maine 13 persons in every 10,000 of the population are in prison, while in Massachusetts 33 out of every 10,000 are languishing behind prison bars. And yet, AND YET, you will find a man with a great big red nose on his face, who will say that prohibition does not prohibit.

Look up the record, sir, and see what the FACTS in the case are before you repeat that absurdity again. If tried long enough, as Mr. Reed says, it will not only prohibit, but will go on unto perfection removing the "taste" forever.

We acknowledge an invitation to be present at the Thirtieth Anniversary, the Pearl wedding reception of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Charping, on Saturday evening, January 25th, 1902, at 7 o'clock, at Arkadelphia, Ark.

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Prohibition Is Not a Failure.

To Governor Longino belongs the high honor of being the first Governor of Mississippi, to send a message to the legislature, asking it to consider the question of prohibiting the sale and manufacture of alcoholic liquors, by statutory enactment, throughout the State. He sent such a message, Wednesday, January the 15th, 1902. Don't forget the date—not the man! A bill was promptly introduced and the fight is now on.

It is very interesting indeed, already, to notice how the papers are lining up on the question. When a "local option election" is on in a county, some papers are always in favor of the saloons; but when the question of statutory prohibition is pending, they are in favor of "local option"—all the time and everywhere in favor of that which will give whisky the best fighting chance for the continuance of its work of death.

Just now the Times-Democrat seems to be unusually jealous of Mississippi's best interest, and warns our people against the fate (?) of Maine, Iowa, Kansas and other prohibition States. This great journal, that has done so much for itself in Mississippi, as well as so much for the State, is just now a strong advocate of "local option," and advises that it is better to let well enough alone. But we do not remember to have ever read where the *Times-Democrat* ever advocated "local-option" for New Orleans and Louisiana—and we have been reading that paper for a long time. Whenever a "local option" election has been on in Mississippi, we have looked in vain for an editorial utterance from the *Times-Democrat* that would help on the cause of prohibition. But now, so soon as the legislature takes up the question of State-wide prohibition, then it comes out, in a more than half-column editorial in favor of local option in Mississippi. How and why is this?

A paper, so well informed as the *Times-*

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A Murderer's Plea to His Son.

In another column, we give a letter written by Mathis, one of the three men now languishing in the Oxford jail, awaiting to be hanged "by the neck until dead" on Feb. 14th prox.

Under the circumstances, it is the manliest, saddest letter we ever read. It ought to be read by every boy in Mississippi. See how he warns his boy, his only son, against temptation and sin; notice how he pleads with him to love and fear God; to cling to the rights; be honest, shun temptation; and "to love and obey your kind mother; and try to be a comfort to her, and make up for the trouble I have caused her."

Then do not fail to notice these earnest and solemn words, the words of a dying father to his infant son: *Above all, never touch whisky nor any strong drink. Never think you can take one drink without it harming you. Every drunkard has seen the time when he could drink alone.*

"When I was young, my life was promising. I was the idol of my parents and was well thought of by everybody. There was nothing to keep me from growing up a good man—but I learned to love whisky. * * * It lead me where I am now. Never touch it, my boy. Remember your father's warning, and grow up a good man. Forgive me for the wrong I have done you;" and thus, the sad letter ends.

And in the face of all this, and a thousand things worse, if anything can be worse, men and women go along drinking and becoming drunken. Some have wines on their tables, set it before their children. Some have eggnogg and have their children drink it. Many want open saloons and all the attractions that can be thrown around the place that will entice men to drink.

Local option is a good thing as far as it goes, but it does not enable us to go far enough. The fight in the Negro counties is hopeless, so long as the Negroes predominate as they do. To deliver the good white people of those counties from the menace of Negro domination in politics, we called a constitutional convention, a few years ago. To defeat Negro candidates for Congress, the State was redistricted, so as to mix enough of white counties with the hopelessly black counties, so as to enable them to come out from the dominion of the Negro. Now, what prohibitionists are driving at, just now, is to have the strong white arm of these white counties extended to the many good people in these black counties, who are at the mercy of the vicious morally, just as they used to be politically. Then it is expensive to hold local option elections every two years, just to satisfy the worst elements in the white as well as the black race.

May God pity the boy whose father is a drunkard and a murderer! May He teach us to shun whisky as we would a lion. May He save all our boys from their first drink.

"Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it goeth down smoothly; at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." Prov. 23:31.

Notes and Comments.

Surely you do not urge the children to stay for church and then go off home yourself, Mr. Superintendent!

How can you look your pastor in the face, beclouding it with smoke from your cigar, and at the same time are due him several dollars on salary for last year—how can you do that?

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The Chinese court spent \$2,500,000 during the time of its forced absence from the Imperial City.

The legislature will appropriate \$1,250,000 to the public schools. That is very good, only they should have added \$250,000 at least.

Prince Henry of Prussia is to visit the United States pretty soon. Let some of our big churches see to it, that the young man has a chance of hearing a Gospel sermon while he is our guest.

Bishop Potter, Dr. Ramsford, Seth Low and all his associate reformers (?) to the contrary notwithstanding, the movement for Sunday saloons failed in New York. The failure is due to the strong "spinability" of Gov. Odell and the people of the rural districts.

When John D. Rockefeller, as a boy, joined the church of which he is now a member, one of the deacons remarked: "Why can't we take in some men with money and not so many boys?" Wonder what he would say now? Hold on to the poor boys—they do sometimes make men.

There seems to be a growing demand for peace in the South African country. James Bryce, a leading member of parliament, declares himself in favor of making liberal terms of peace. The former premier, Lord Rosebery, in a recent great political speech, advocates such a settlement of the war "as would leave the Boers self-government and reconstruction at Britain's expense of the ruined farms."

Rudyard Kipling is still writing and advocating unconditional surrender of the Boers.

February his only horse died. He had no money to replace him. Somehow God provided. He is a cripple, and has been since 1865. His wife is a consumptive and almost helpless. Now this brother and sister paid me last year \$82.00 for my services as their part of pastor's salary, as much as any two members, towards rebuilding our church and more for missions than all the other members put together.

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That was a fine piece of sarcasm Dr. Barnett of Leland-Lula-Lyon got off, when he said: "Our congregations have not doubled; neither have our contributions quadrupled 'since I became their pastor.'" Some of us, occasionally write in a way, when we get on a field that has some juice in it, that creates the impression somehow, that our like has never been seen before, nor will again. It may be that others have sown and we have just entered in upon their labors; so let's be a bit careful how we use the words "since I became their pastor."

Country Churches.

A live question with our country churches is "How can we pay our pastor and foster all the interests of the denomination?" It is quite a problem to the country pastor, and our people are not poor, neither are they altogether unwilling. The difficulty, as I see it, lies in our method of raising money. I wish to tell the results of a new method which one of my churches tried. I think it worth while:

I took a ride of seven miles and passed ten homes. I stopped in with a good Brother for the night. He had no home of his own but paid his annual rent. Last

year he only horse died. He had no money to replace him. Somehow God provided. He is a cripple, and has been since 1865. His wife is a consumptive and almost helpless. Now this brother and sister paid me last year \$82.00 for my services as their part of pastor's salary, as much as any two members, towards rebuilding our church and more for missions than all the other members put together.

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"Why should we start or fear to die
What timorous worms we mortals are.
Death is the gate of endless joy,
And yet we dread to enter there.

"Jesus can make a dying bed
Feel soft as downy pillows are;
While on His breast I lean my head
And breathe my life out sweetly there."

O. D. BOWEN,
Ellisville, Miss., Dec. 25, 1901.

Notice.

All members of the Gulfport Chautauqua Association, who wish their stock liquidated, would do well to forward, at once, their certificates of stock to L. E. Hall, Scranton; J. B. Searcy, Biloxi, or to me at Jackson. You will thus secure your money soon after the meeting of the stockholders announced for Jan. 27, 1902, at Gulfport. The dissolution of the association is a foregone conclusion.

Z. T. LEAVELL.

The Courtesy Of Poor Folks.

"Ian Maclaren" writing in the Christian Endeavor World, has the following to say, contrasting the kindness of the poor with the formality of the "upper classes." He says: "It is not wise as a rule to make comparisons between classes, but I am inclined to think that if it comes to the spirit of courtesy, which lies behind all manners, respectable working people, say our artisans and their wives, will make a better show than their masters and their wives. They will have less of that concern about their own dignity, which is always a sign of vulgarity; they will be more anxious not to hurt another's feelings; and they will be quicker to render services in the little exigencies of life; and all this is the fruit of courtesy."

"Were any woman (and I count this a perfect test) travelling with a young child and some articles of luggage, it would be better for her, as a rule, to take a place in a third-class carriage rather than in a first-class carriage. The chances are that among rich people, unless they gathered from something she said, or from her name upon a dressing-case, that she was a person of distinction—in which case they would take any trouble in exact proportion to their own meanness—they would eye her with displeasure, convey to her the idea that the child was a nuisance, ignore the struggle with her luggage, and make her glad to leave the compartment. Were she to travel with an artisan and his wife, they would bid her welcome, make her feel at home, anticipate her wants, and encompass her with attention, because she was a lonely woman with a child. And the service of a woman and a child is the climax of courtesy."

There have been death scenes which have not been understood by surviving friends, such as exclamations concerning the presence of angels. Who knows what may be seen and experienced by departing saints when they have passed beyond the ken of mortal vision? "It came to pass that the beggar died and was carried by angels to Abraham's bosom."

God has been glorified in the death of His saints, and has sanctified the trium-

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The Life of Christ. A Sketch.

By A. J. AVEN.

PART II.

Opening Events of Christ's Ministry: Matt. 3:1-12; Mark 1:1-8; Luke 3:1-20. When Jesus was about thirty years old, John the Baptist was busily engaged in the wilderness, preaching and baptizing, for there came out unto him all Jerusalem and Judea, and all the region round about and were baptized by him confessing their sins. The people at this time were looking for the Messiah, and naturally thought that John was he. But John, noble spirit, that he was, answered, that he was baptizing them with water, but that there was coming one mightier than he whose shoes' latchet, he was unworthy to unloose. It was not long after this time that John was cast into prison.

Christ's Baptism and Temptation: Matt 13:13-17, 4:1-11; Mark 1:9-13; Luke 3:21-22, 4:1-13. While John was preaching in the wilderness, a short time before he was cast into prison, Jesus came to him to be baptized. As Jesus came up out of the baptismal waters, the heavens were opened and the Spirit in the form of a dove descended upon him and the approving voice of the Father was heard saying: Thou art my beloved Son in whom I am well-pleased.

After the baptism, Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit from the Jordan into the wilderness, where he remained for forty days. During this period of time he abstained from food, so, at the end of the period, he became hungry. Under these physical conditions, the devil appeared to him and suggested that a man of his power might relieve his hunger at once by commanding stones to become bread. But note the Lord's reply here, as in the two following temptations—in each case a quotation from the Scriptures. The devil then tried him on another line. He offered Jesus all the kingdoms of the world, if Jesus would worship him. Failing in this he made the attack on one of the most vulnerable points in human nature. Note the order of the temptations, an appeal first, to the physical appetites, second, to worldly ambitions, and third, to spiritual pride.

John's testimony before Priests and Levites: John 1:19-34. John frankly acknowledged to the priests and Levites sent by the Jews from Jerusalem, that he was not the Christ. On the next day when John saw Jesus coming unto him, he said, Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world, and John testified that he had seen the Spirit descending from heaven and that Jesus was the Son of God.

First Disciples: John 1:35-51. On the next day John was standing with two of his disciples—John and Andrew—and saw Jesus coming. The two disciples followed Jesus and abode with him that day, but first, Andrew went to find his brother Simon, and brought him to Jesus, and when Jesus looked upon him, Jesus said, Thou art Simon, thou shalt be called Cephas,

which means Peter.

The next day Jesus decided to go into Galilee, and found Philip of Bethsaida, who in turn, found Nathanael whom it was a little difficult to convince that anything good could come out of Nazareth, but after talking personally with Jesus, he was led to see the truth and cried out, Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God.

The First Miracle: John 2:1-12. On arriving at Cana Jesus and his disciples attended a wedding. During the wedding festivities, the wine gave out and Jesus, perhaps to relieve the embarrassment of the situation, changed water into wine. This was so successfully done that the master of the feast pronounced it better than what they had been using. This is usually spoken of as Christ's first miracle. Jesus, his mother, brethren and disciples, then went down to Capernaum for a few days.

PART III.

The Early Judean Ministry.

Cleansing the Temple: John 2:13-22. Not long after his visit to Cana and Capernaum, he returned again to Jerusalem to attend the feast of the passover. His righteous indignation was thoroughly aroused, when he came into the temple and found there the money changers and those who sold animals. With a scourge of cords, he drove out both men and beasts and overturned the tables. "The same look of irresistible purity and majesty which had appalled John when he sought baptism prevented any resistance on the part of the ignoble crew, and made the onlookers recognize the lineaments of the prophets of ancient days before whom kings and cowards alike were wont to quail. It was the beginning of his reformatory work against the religious abuses of the time."

Discourse with Nicodemus: John 3:1-36. While at Jerusalem, he did many signs through the influence of which many believed. One result of his miracle-working was to bring to him one night an honest and anxious inquirer, the sweet spirited Nicodemus, whom he taught that in the kingdom of God the subjects must be spiritually born, and that faith in the Son of Man is the only passage way into this kingdom in which love is the ruling passion. What Jesus did for the next eight months is not recorded further than that he with his disciples tarried in Judea where, through the agency of his disciples he made and baptized more disciples than John. In Aenon, John was also baptizing. It was told John that Jesus was baptizing and that all men were coming to him, and again John testified that Jesus was the Christ.

The Woman of Samaria: John 4:1-42. At the close of this first year of ministerial work in Judea, he departed for Galilee, passing through Samaria. On his way in Samaria he stopped near the city of Sychar at Jacob's well to rest, for he was weary. To a woman who came to draw water, he revealed for the first time publicly the fact that he was the Messiah. The woman on

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enemy to the Church of Christ.

There are only eleven apostles whose names are given in Acts 1-13. Who was the 12th apostle on the occasion of the election of seven deacons? Every one who admits the record of Luke to be true must admit that it was Matthias. Hence we see him exercising all the functions of an apostle, in common with "the eleven." How could Dr. Gordon have overlooked this fact? In the light of this plain record, how could the learned author of "Notes on the text" in our Teacher say "as a matter of fact the appointed brother is never mentioned again?"

This should teach us to become familiar with the Bible itself and not depend on any man for its statements.

Field Notes.

VICKSBURG.

Truly this is the city of hills. The paper man had passed through the city a number of times, but he had no conception of the place.

A beautiful city scattered over a large territory. Washington, is the main business thoroughfare, and judging from the movements of the crowds, the merchants are doing a thriving business. Cherry, is a beautiful residence street, while some others are quite attractive. The city has a very good street railway system, and upon the whole, the writer was favorably impressed. However it is said, "Satan has his seat" somewhere here.

That which proves too much does not prove anything.

But as a matter of fact, do we hear no more of Matthias after this occasion? Luke's account is that: "They gave forth their lots, and the lots fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles." This being true, hereafter when we find the phrase "the apostles" in Luke's account, we are naturally to understand that reference is had to all the apostles, including Matthias, unless the context indicates some particular apostles.

Now we read in Acts 4:33; "And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. This is the work for which Matthias was ordained, and it is fair to conclude that he, with the others, have exercised this great power as an apostle. In Acts 18:5 we see that when the High Priest and Sadducees became indignant because of the teaching of the resurrection they "laid their hands on the Apostles and put them in the common prison" this included the twelve, doubtless. The angel of the Lord turned them out and bade them go and stand in the temple and teach the people. When brought again before the council and forbidden to teach in the name of Jesus, "Then Peter, and the other apostles said we ought to obey God rather than men," Acts 5:29. This included all the Apostles, Matthias with the rest. But still again, when it became necessary to elect deacons that the Apostles might give themselves wholly to prayer and to the ministry of the Word, it is said, "Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them and said, it is not reason that we should leave the Word of God and serve tables," Acts 6:2. Luke says that Matthias was numbered with "the eleven apostles," and here he speaks of "the twelve" Who was the 12th apostle? At this time Paul was unconverted and was a bitter

Thanks to Bro. Sproles' generalship. The list of BAPTIST readers was considerably enlarged. In his home and that of Bro. Slocumb delightful entertainment was found during the stay.

God bless the friends of the Master who give good cheer to the travel-worn pilgrim.

The writer had the pleasure of meeting for only a few moments, Bro. Pugh, pastor of Calvary Church. This Brother has done a fine work for the cause in Vicksburg. An attractive church building, a greatly enlarged membership, and this membership developed along all lines, is the reward of his faithful service. With regret it was learned that he had tendered his resignation, whether the church will accept it, is not known.

Both churches are ably pastored, and these brethren are laboring so harmoniously together that it would seem things should continue as they are.

But other fields await the interviewer, and so this scribbling must be deferred.

Cordially,
O. M. LUCAS.

The Baptist.

Every opportunity is being used to induce our people to read THE BAPTIST. After preaching service at Mt. Creek last Sunday, subscriptions were taken, which resulted in nine new supporters for the paper, and others to follow.

We pastors can make our work more fruitful of good by urging our people to keep up with the great work of our State, and we pray that the paper may be a great missionary agent. Let every reader ask God to bless our missions while we read these lines, and pray also that the paper may carry with it—more than ever—spiritual power, that the unsaved may be saved, and the *missionary* may be thoroughly *missionary* in his views.

May the holy spirit accompany each copy, and hasten the day when out of the seven hundred and fifty preachers now in Mississippi, others may join our own beloved Graves and Simmons in China, Watkins, Chastain and Hooker in Mexico, Miss Goolsby in Brazil, Walne in Japan, and Lumley in Africa.

And now, may power in abundance be given to our great-hearted Secretaries, Willingham and Rowe, that 1902 may surpass anything in the history of our denomination.

The paper is going into the homes of many of our people and is being read with eagerness, and talked about and talked up.

May the wisdom of God abide with the editor and every contributor to its purity and cleanliness. Our paper is a luxury—a necessity, or, as one of our readers said: "It is a meat and bread question." It brings life and force.

A. L. O'BRIANT.

Books.

UNCLE BOSTON'S SPICY BREEZES. BY BOSTON W. SMITH, 12MO, 255 PAGES. PRICE, \$1.00 NET. AMERICAN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY, 1420 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

The incidents of the book are founded upon the experiences of the author during his five years' labors as Sunday-school missionary in the West. His special field was on the prairies of Minnesota. He recites in a humorous, attractive way the many hardships and difficulties incident to pioneer work in evangelization.

One highly valuable point brought out in the book is the emphasis placed upon teaching the distinctive doctrines of Baptists in our Sunday-schools. Numerous instances are cited in which Baptist children and young people have drifted away from Baptist doctrine and churches through the lax teaching of Peodo-Baptists in union Sunday-schools. The book raises a note of warning along this line which is worthy of recognition and emphasis at the hands of all pastors and teachers.

A revival of distinctive, doctrinal preaching is one of the needs of the hour, and "Uncle Boston's Spicy Breezes" will be helpful in the work.

Where are you going, young man? Young Man—To the Grenada Business College. I must go with the masses.

"For the Healing of the Nations."

Every body is concerned about remedies, for we are either ailing or have a friend who is. Many times sufferers have tried remedy after remedy because of its recommendations, and met disappointment each time. The essentials of a good remedy are to eradicate the disease from the system; remove the cause and the germs; prevent the return and rebuild the depleted organs until the whole body is strong, vigorous and healthy.

Many diseases are contagious, others are transmitted to posterity either directly or by giving the offspring a weakened constitution, making them easy prey to disease. This is sad. Much more lamentable, however, is the fact that sinful natures and habits are inherited.

The heart, at best, without Christ is deplorable. The very atmosphere is nauseating without the fragrance of the Rose of Sharon; every germ producing disease shall thrive until the "Sun of righteousness shall arise with healing in his wings;" then, but not till then, will the Lily of the valley send forth its radiance.

The nations that know not our God are simply crazed with sin. Think of the despotism that does not value human liberty or life.

"When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when the wicked bear rule, the people mourn." (Prov. 29:2.) Think of the social condition that reduces woman to an article of commerce, and the lowest menial service; where the most degrading, revolting and unmentionable vices are held to be virtues. How could you expect better where sin has settled over these nations as Egyptian darkness, and dispelled every ray of light? They worship, when at all, the sun, moon, stars, grass, serpents and idols; their very worship leads to greater depths of degradation.

There is but one destiny for all such individuals and nations. "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." (Ps. 9:17.) Many thousands of people living in the full glory of the "Sun of Righteousness" have shut their hearts to his love; there are multitudes of millions now on the earth who have crucified every vestige of the knowledge of God. True, all people have a conception of a supreme ruler, or rulers; but their conception presents a demon, or demons, similar in character to themselves, and not a merciful redeemer.

There is no darkness that cannot be dispelled; no nation that cannot be reclaimed by the "healing in his wings." Messiah is the panacea for all our ailments, and our only hope; he is the remedy for each individual and for the nations. His mission on earth was to bring salvation to all mankind. Outside of his protection the hungry flames of destruction are sweeping every one before them, but under the shadow of his wing is health, strength, peace and eternal life.

The tongue of an angel could not tell the wonders of Jesus as a healing potion. He is not a remedy for this or that disease, but a specific for every malady. Bring to

him any man with any disease whatever, and he will send him away whole and rejoicing, because he destroys the source of all diseases. When the Holy Spirit applies Jesus to the heart he is a refiner's fire and cleanseth from all sin.

He heals disease by striking at the prime cause. Some remedies are certain in their applications to certain diseases; others will act on certain organs and leave the real cause untouched. Jesus searches the heart and divides between the marrow and the bones. Every defilement, each germ and defective part are removed. He creates a new heart. This gives new desires, ambitions, motives and turns the will in the direction of righteousness.

Then he guards against the return of disease. Many a man has been cured, restored to health, but soon overcome again by the same disease. In an atmosphere so pregnant with sin we could not remain cured if he did not "make all things work together for good to them that love God."

Everything turns to gold that touches a heart sanctified by his grace. "He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ." God completes all he undertakes.

Then, the medicine remains in the system as the source of health. "Whosoever drinketh of the water I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into eternal life." Christ abides in each one he heals, an omnipotent guard against every foe. The heart once cleaned has no desire to be defiled again, because the "living water" is so refreshing and Jesus as the heart's guest is so charming.

This remedy is wonderful because it will heal all who truly desire healing. The climate, location, atmosphere nor conditions of any kind have any effect on its potency. The Esquimo, the African, the Hottentot, princes and peasants, philosophers and simpletons have all been made whole by it.

No people are known to whom the Gospel is unsuited, or on whom it does not have a salutary effect. Knaves, murderers, cannibals, idolaters, all manner of men have been refined and made princely under its influence.

Beside giving a hope for eternity, belief in Jesus Christ does more for men than every other thing combined. It is in every way helpful and in no degree injurious.

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Received by faith. It then completely transforms the believer. Things once loved are then despised, and nobler ideals are kept in view. Love to God supreme, and man as a brother thrills the whole nature.

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while others are dying? Ah, this is unthinkable! But how about us? We know that humanity, as a river, is going over the cataract of death into "everlasting destruction" all the time, and we do not send them the healing balm? "But whose hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" (1 Jno. 3:17.)

This remedy shall eventually overcome every foe, and be crowned Victor of every field. The earth shall be filled with his knowledge as the waters cover the sea, then the people shall learn war no more, but will all march home to God, hand in hand, keeping step to the heart-throbs of his love, who redeemed them by his blood.

W. JAS. ROBINSON.

Grenada, Miss.

From Texas.

DEAR BRO. BAILEY:

Since I last wrote you, great things have been brought to pass by our Texas Zion. The greatest Baptist Convention since Pentecost has come and gone, but in power and influence it will abide through the ages. I shall not now speak of it in detail, since so many others have written of its marvelous proceedings and happy results.

My own little church at Seguin has fairly caught the spirit of push and progress.

During the last year, in addition to our regular contributions to denominational work, we have seated our church house with the latest up-to-date circular pews, and have made many other much needed improvements. We now have the most comfortable and attractive church house in the city. Our membership was also increased about twenty-five per cent, and a B. Y. P. U. organized with more than thirty active members. Much of our success is due to the very efficient labors of our Ladies' Aid Society. We begin the new year free of debt, and have some money in the treasury.

Upon the whole, the last year was, in all probability, the most fruitful of results, of any year during my long pastorate of nearly a quarter of a century at Seguin. On the third Sunday in December we celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of our church. Only one charter member now survives, and of the membership who welcomed me into the pastorate here twenty-four years ago, only three now remain. What changes the corroding tooth of time has wrought.

Think of it, very nearly thirty long years have rolled away since you and I roomed and romped together at old Mississippi College, and yet we are not old.

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pastors in Texas are the favored sons of Mississippi College. I did it merely on account of old friendship. Now I find I cannot well do without it, and therefore renew because of its genuine and ever-increasing merit. Every number is a real feast of good things to me. My wife is really in love with it.

Although a native-born Texan (a nativity of which she delights to boast), yet every time, after reading THE BAPTIST, she says: "Let's go to Mississippi." And as she is decidedly the bigger, if not the better half, I don't know what might happen should she set her face that way.

I am greatly pleased at the wise and able administration of our old friend, Governor Longino. He is a Christian statesman of whom Mississippi may well be proud. I keep well up with his official career.

I hope to stop in and see you on my way to the convention in May.

Fraternally,

T. J. DODSON.
Seguin, Tex., Jan. 14, 1902.

A Letter to a Son.

MR. MATTHIS, the convicted murderer, now in the Oxford jail, has written his son the following pitiful letter:

"It is with a heart full of sadness that I write you this from the county jail, where I am now confined. I am in an iron cell, eight by sixteen feet, where I am kept day and night. Everything in the room is a stove, an iron bedstead, a hard mattress and some blankets. If you live to be old enough I want you to visit the place where your father spent his last days, and let my fate be a lesson to you. My cell is the second one on the right. As you look in I hope that you will realize that right here I spent many an hour of fear and anguish on account of your welfare. Many a time I have hugged you to my breast and while I loved you with all the tenderness, I had rather you had died in infancy than to follow the life I have led. One thing that is the earnest wish of your loving father is that you do right in all things from the time you are old enough to know right from wrong. Love and obey your kind mother and try to be a comfort to her, and make up for the trouble I have caused her. Your life will be just what you make it. You can make it a success or a failure. You will find that people will watch you closely on account of the way that your father has done. But you will get credit when you do right and condemnation when you do wrong.

"You will meet with evil temptations, but never submit to the first temptation to do wrong. Be industrious and economical; love and fear God, and success will crown your efforts. Remember that poverty does not degrade you or make you unhappy. Nothing will degrade you but sin. The wages of sin is death. Above all never touch whisky nor any strong drink. Never think you can take one drink without it harming you. Every drunkard has seen the time when he could drink alone. Intemperance has ruined more men than any other evil in the world. When whisky gets the advantage of a man he is fit for no business or position in life. All the de-

mons of hell combined could not contrive or invent anything that would be a worse curse to humanity and work for Satan as whisky. And I want to say here that women could put whisky and drinking down if they tried.

"When I was young my life was promising. I was the idol of my parents, and was well thought of by everybody. There was nothing to keep me from growing up a good man; but I learned to love whisky. At first I would only take a social drink with friends, but I kept on taking it until the appetite grew on me, and I could not stop. It lead me where I am now. Never touch it, my boy. Remember your father's warning and grow up a good man. Forgive me the wrong I have done you."

Field Notes.

CLINTON—A recent visit to this classic town was greatly enjoyed by this scribe. In the home of President Lowrey he found delightful entertainment, while the faculty and the student body gave him a most gracious welcome. A meal with the ministerial students was greatly enjoyed. Mississippi Baptists should feel proud of these young men who are to be the leaders of the Lord's hosts in the near future. Their splendid young manhood, under God and the guiding hand of a noble faculty is destined to make them a felt power in the land. But he was impressed, not alone with the young ministers, but with the entire student body. The noble record of this institution in the past, and the yet grander achievements to be gained in the coming years, should secure for her the united support of all Mississippi Baptists. Clinton needs this endowment that Pres. Lowrey is so faithfully trying to secure, and then she needs a few thousand to tone up the buildings, etc. The paper man had the pleasure of hearing two excellent sermons by the pastor, Bro. Lipsey. He also had the delightful pleasure of meeting, in his home, Dr. Webb, so long the president of the College. Nobly he wrought in the years gone, and now he calmly awaits the Master's call-up higher. THE BAPTIST has a goodly number of friends in Clinton. The majority of these have their figures into 1903. Several new names were added to the list during the visit.

BOLTON—A day spent here was enjoyed and a few of the Lord's faithful ones read THE BAPTIST. Sister Key furnished entertainment to THE BAPTIST man. Most gratefully does he record his appreciation of kindness shown him in this pleasant home. THE BAPTIST is read in this home. Through the kindness of Dr. Hunter the renewal of Sister Davis was secured. She is the mother of Mrs. Key, but being away in the country, the interviewer failed to meet her.

EDWARDS—Two days spent here, rewarded the visit with renewals and some new names for the paper. At the request of the brethren at Edwards THE BAPTIST man preached for the church Sabbath morning and evening. This church is in search of a pastor. Rev. H. C. Joyner is chairman of the pulpit committee. May the Lord direct

them to the right man. This is a good people. The writer here records his appreciation of the numerous kindnesses received. In the homes of Brethren Joyner, Barrett, Col. Montgomery and others, he found delightful entertainment. By-the-way, the visit brought out the fact that Col. Montgomery and the writer stood side by side in the early campaigns in old Virginia. He was a member of the 12th Mississippi and yes he was a member of the 5th Alabama, and both belonged to Gen. Rhodes' brigade. On the 21st day of June, 1861, each was regaled with the whiz of Yankee bullets for the first time. However, before we were through with them, their bullets became quite commonplace things. On this 21st day of June, 1861, there was born to the parents of Col. Montgomery a son whom he had the honor of naming. This brother is now a worthy member of the Edwards Baptist Church. The readers of THE BAPTIST will allow me to introduce Mr. Victor Vandorn Beauregard Manassas Junction Montgomery. Well, he has survived the name thus far, and judging from appearances, he is good for many more years to come. So mote it be.

Fraternally,
O. M. LUCAS.

From the Delta.

After fourteen years of labor in Arkansas I am back in the Deer Creek Association, where I first spent five years in collaboration with Elders J. E. Watts, A. Taylor and Louis Ball. The latter has gone to his reward. This country has improved beyond expectation in health, in schools and morals. We have now on this "Valley Road" strong churches and able pastors at Hollandale, Leland and Cleveland. Greenville has been a strong church for twenty years, and Dr. Burr's last report shows they are still going on to perfection. We all regret that Bro. Cohron's health became so feeble his physicians thought it wise for him to leave the Delta and take an easier work. We fear our State Board will not find a man who can and will take his place.

Bro. Bailey, you are giving us the best paper our State has ever had. My first duty as pastor is to get every family in my churches, Anguilla, Inverness and Shiloh to take THE BAPTIST.

Anguilla church has a house of worship completed except seating and lighting. It is the first Baptist church ever built in Stark County. Issaquena County has no Baptist church, but the members of Shiloh expect to build a house of worship this year. Think of these two counties, the finest land in the State, having never had a house of worship belonging to the Baptists. This Delta is a promising field. Many white people are moving here to stay and this fine soil will make them able to support the cause of Christ, and if properly taught by our preachers, they will do it.

E. E. SMITH.

Mr. Whitelaw Reid has been selected as the President's representative at the coronation of King Edward VII of England. A fine selection indeed.

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The Trio Parables.

While the Publicans and the lower class of the Jews were pressing to hear the Lord, the Pharisees complained, that He should so pollute Himself by their presence. And when they found that He had eaten with them, they murmured and gave visible signs that they could not tolerate the like in Him that should be the Great King of the Nation. Then Jesus, being anxious to impress them with His true mission, and why He was thus acting in this way, spoke the three parables found in Luke, 4th chapter, the lost sheep, the lost coin and the Prodigal Son. The three parables have one and the same idea in view, the Savior's anxiousness to save sinners; is looking for them, and will rejoice on finding the lost ones.

See how the lost sheep may represent a lost sinner who is a sheep actively roaming paths that lead further from the fold, and must be overtaken by the shepherd and brought to the fold. It would never get to the fold without the shepherd's aid.

The lost coin is so true to nature that we can't miss the meaning. That the coin cannot be affected by any special demonstrations of the owner, so it is with the sinner; he cannot be affected by any anxiousness of the Lord to save. And it remained lost until the woman had swept the room—so with the sinner; he was in the lost condition until the Holy Spirit had swept the heart of all sin in search of him. The sinner is dead to any spiritual life or Divine acceptance of Christ's love for him until moved by the spirit of God. Like the coin, inactive, no quickening power within itself, no life, unconscious of being lost—what is more like this than a sinner?

Now since the lost sheep could represent the sinner, wandering from God, and the lost coin could represent the sinner in his helpless, inactive state, there seems a lack of something to complete the force of meaning. That lack is happily filled by the climax parable of the trio, the Prodigal Son. For tho' the father grieve over it, the son must go and try his fortune in the strange land. While the father is praying the return, he is spending his living and preparing himself to return home. But if he had not made up his mind to go home the father might have spent the remainder of his days in eager looking for him and at last been disappointed. Had the son not gone home he would never have had the ring and robe that the father made ready for him. The son had the ability to do as he chose about the matter and had no one to propell him to act against his will in the premises.

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A sinner is just a sinner, and it makes no difference whether he is, as a sheep, lost with ranch marks upon him, or as a coin with the government stamped on it and the number and every contoured appearance registered in the owner's books, or as a son who, being tired of home life, and not willing to appreciate the affections of parents, decides to roam in the land where there are no home restrictions, and afterwards finds that he is home-sick and goes back. Every condition was the condition of a sinner, and every act was the act of a sinner. Let the Parables represent the lost and found sinner and all is clear.

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THE HOME.

George Horace Lorimer.

A recent issue of the New York Editor and Publisher contains the life story of the editor of the Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post. As it is not only of general interest but may prove useful and inspiring to other young men, THE BAPTIST feels glad to give it space:

"Few young men in the United States, or in any other country, for that matter, can at the age of twenty-four boast of receiving a salary of \$5,000 a year. Of those who are so fortunate situated probably not one can be found who would voluntarily give it up in order to fit himself for a journalistic career, which, as is well known, does not hold out promises of large financial rewards unless in exceptional cases."

There is one such man residing in Wyncoate, a suburb of Philadelphia. His name is George Horace Lorimer, and he is the editor of the Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post, Cyrus Curtis' old-time newspaper, which, since it became his property, has blossomed out into circulation and influence.

He is the son of the Rev. Geo. C. Lorimer, pastor of Tremont Temple in Boston, one of the most popular and able clergymen of that metropolis. Young Mr. Lorimer, soon after leaving school, took a position with the great Armour packing house of Chicago, in which his advancement was so rapid that at the age of twenty-four he was in charge of the canning department of the company and was drawing a salary of \$5,000 a year.

Mr. Lorimer, in spite of the success which had attended him in business, was not satisfied with his lot. He had an ambition to shine in literature. He felt that he had ability in this direction, and that by cultivation it might be developed into something worthy of himself and of his family. So one day he motored Mr. Armour that he intended to resign his position. Mr. Armour had become very much attached to the young man and urged him to remain with him. He asked him if he was dissatisfied with his salary and young Lorimer told him he had decided to give up business for a literary career.

Mr. Lorimer then went to Colby University, located at Waterville, Me., where he has been connected with the Saturday

sued a course in English literature. On completing his studies he went to Boston and worked for some time on the Evening Post and other daily newspapers. While still engaged in journalistic work in that city he was urged by a friend to apply to Cyrus Curtis, the publisher of the Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post and Ladies' Home Journal, for a position upon the former publication, on the ground that such a publication would afford him an opportunity for the development of his literary tastes better than a daily.

Mr. Lorimer's application was favorably considered by Mr. Curtis, who, after diligent inquiry as to the young man's character and ability, engaged him as a writer upon the Evening Post.

When Mr. Curtis purchased this paper he offered the editorship to Arthur S. Hardy, who was then the United States Consul to Persia. Mr. Hardy had about decided to accept it when he was appointed to the consulship at Athens, where he had many friends, and he notified Mr. Curtis that he would be unable to accept his kind offer.

Mr. Curtis, having no one else in the office to fill the position of editor, placed young Lorimer, temporarily, in charge. Within three weeks Mr. Lorimer had revolutionized the office, made a decided improvement in the paper, and inaugurated such an efficient administration of its affairs that Mr. Curtis concluded to retain him permanently in the position. Under his guidance the Saturday Evening Post has made great strides in popularity and income. The paper today has a circulation of over 325,000, which, it must be admitted, is a remarkable record for the brief period in which the property has been held by Mr. Curtis.

Few people realize what it means to conduct a literary weekly in these days of Sunday editions and cheap magazines. Scores of papers of this class, which up to a few years ago wielded a great influence and made money for their owners, have dropped out of sight. The literary weekly does not today occupy the prominent position that it once did, owing to the changes which have already been alluded to; therefore, for Mr. Curtis to achieve the remarkable success that has attended the Saturday Evening Post in this field is little short of the miraculous. Mr. Lorimer has succeeded during the brief time that he has

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day Evening Post in making a list at the north, millions of birds of almost every species are on the wing for the south. They are traveling along the same high roads over which they have passed from time immemorial. Some of them go in vast congregations down the valley of the Mississippi, and will not on any account depart from that route until they have reached their winter abiding place. Others skirt along the fringe of the Rocky Mountains, thousands and thousands in a flock, halting at any stopping place, so long as the weather is mild, and, when it is cold again, rising high into the air with a tumult of noises and continuing their southward march.

One of the most interesting things in connection with the night-flying birds is the apparently perfect system of signalling that they maintain when sometimes they are half a mile high in the air. They seem to have arranged a code of signals by whistling. The note is, of course, peculiar to the bird, and is used among other notes when singing, but for the purpose of signalling this note only is used. The bobolink, for instance, which has a wide range of song, when on the passage, has but one cry, and he advises the main body of any threatened danger by whistling "spink, spink."

The birds that lead the main body are veterans who have made the march north and south for half a dozen years. The signal of a wild goose is a loud "honk." The kingfisher, who chatters in his summer creek and scolds so that you might almost imagine that he was a human being, simply gives a scream or a single resonant note, which keeps his forces together. The thrush and the robin each

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give a single shrill whistle, which can be heard across a storm at night for a distance of nearly a mile. These birds are all great travellers. Some of them travel every spring and fall from the shores of the Hudson Bay, from Labrador and even Greenland, to the tropic of Capricorn, a distance of 6,000 miles.

The massing of these forces in the early fall is very curious and highly interesting. Not a single bird starts southward until the cutting northern winds begin to pipe. Then all the families or broods for miles around begin to collect, until hundreds, and sometimes thousands get together and form into a body on the edge of a wood. Here the younger birds wheel, and scream, and frolic, chasing each other through the air, but the elders appear sedate, and seem to be waiting to collect together every bird that should join in the march.—New York Recorder.

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Aye, 'tis a tale to dim the eyes,
And stir the heart's deep sympathy.
And we often sigh and ask ourselves
Why these sad things should ever be.

But I will tell you a sadder tale,
Of one all fair and straight and strong,
With a smiling eye and a sunny brow,
And a voice sweet as happy song;
But the love of self had smote the heart
With a deadly blight that daily told,
In language stronger than any words,
The sad, sad story—Dwarfed in soul.

ERON OPHA GREGORY.

A Warning.

REV. T. J. BAILEY:
Dear Sir, and Brother:—We the undersigned, wish to have the columns of your paper to warn our people against W. M. Hicks, who came here and professed to be general agent for The Baptist Flag-taking orders, and giving Bibles as premiums. We paid him cash on Dec. 4th, 1901. He had an order drawn on the Post Office at Fulton, Ky., payable to The Baptist Publishing House at that place. The order did not bear the name of the Flag and I do not know to whom he sent the order for collection, but some party presented the order, and it was paid on the 7th of December, 1901. He said the Bibles would come through the mail and be here by the 10th. We know the order was sent and paid, but there must be some understanding at the other end of the line assisting in the fraud. Please publish this and send each of us a copy of your paper.

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MRS. LEILIA BARROWS,
MRS. E. E. WEBB,
MISS ELIZA HUNT,
MR. HAMP. COCHRAN,
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MR. R. L. WEBB, P. M.

A Lesson.

DEAR BRO. BAILEY:
Herewith I hand you a letter from the daughter of our Bro. Myers, at Ellisville. For several years this little band of children have been working for missions. They seem not to tire in their efforts, but each year start out with greater things. What a lesson to some of us in the constancy and devotion of these children. Who doubts that the Master is looking on approvingly of their work and has said of it, "well done"? If these children can, by preserving effort, raise \$25.00, where, in all this land, is the Baptist church that cannot do as well?

A. V. ROWE.

THE LETTER.

ELLISVILLE, Miss. Jan. 1902.
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Deaths.**Mrs. N. C. Lumley.**

Our mother, Mrs. N. C. Lumley, is dead. I received a telegram Jan. 13th, announcing her illness, and arrived here at 6:45 the evening of the 14th. She was unconscious—at least, could not speak—and died fifteen minutes after my arrival. She was buried at 10 o'clock, the 16th, in Rose Hill Cemetery, this city. I return to my work at New Boston, Texas, today, leaving Eustace in the hands of our sister to await the coming of his father, who was expecting to leave Africa for home some time this month. Mother died without a struggle, closing her own eyes and mouth. She leaves behind her a life which loudly says, "Have faith in God." The Lord gave her in her last days here in Meridian a good influence for Him.

B. LUMLEY.

That is a quaint but very suggestive figure of old George Herbert's, when he says:

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I. H. A.

Elmira (Davis) Fortenberry was born in May, 1820, joined the Baptist church in 1835, and married Henry Daughdrill in 1840. He died in 1855. In 1861 she married Rev. William Fortenberry. She was the mother of four children by her first husband, and three by her second. She died Dec. 12, 1902, and was buried at Society Hill church, Lawrence county, Miss. She was a devoted Christian, and nothing but Providential hindrance kept her from church services. She contributed as the Lord blessed her to all denominational and benevolent purposes.

Her pastor:

L. D. POSHY.

Married.

At the home of the bride's parents, Dec. 22, 1901, Mr. Robert Sharp, of Hebron, Miss., to Miss Bertha Griffith, of Whitesand, Rev. R. Drummonds officiating. May God's goodness and mercy be with them through life.

Rush-Hemeter.

Mr. John Walter Rush and Miss Nellie Mae Hemeter were married at the home of the bride's father, Mr. W. M. Hemeter, of Monroe, Miss., Dec. 26th.

Mr. Rush is a promising business man of Jacksonville, Florida, who had charge of the interests of the Prudential Life Insurance Company of that State, and now is transferred to the charge of like interests in the State of Mississippi. He will open an office at Jackson, where they will make their home. Miss Hemeter was one of the most highly accomplished young ladies of Monroe.

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be yours,

Each with joy and

sunshine blending,

Bright and fragrant

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To your life their

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orous missionary spirit which Conner and Travis on the Box has been felt by the whole church work. We were late in getting they have fallen short of their our box off—hoping all the chiefest purpose. If they have churches in the Association not made progress in spirit, would co-operate with us in this power and knowledge of the glorious work. We are glad to work of the Master, they have lost a blessing of priceless value.

May the Lord prompt the Baptist women of Mississippi to lay hold with a firm hand and a loving heart upon the great work to which our Father has called us. Let us bestir ourselves with restlessness and self-sacrificing spirit in this the new year. We must raise the money we are asked to give. We must work and pray and give.

It is hoped that every society in the State will promptly send in the quarterly report. If any have been remiss in sending such reports for the quarter passed, it is hoped that such will be sent in at once.

Yours in the work,
MRS. W. R. Woods,
Sec'y. Cen. Com.

Starkville.

At our last missionary meeting we had our annual report read by our treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Walker, and it was a good one.

Given to various objects fostered by our convention board \$95, and box to frontier missionary \$55. We all feel a cause to praise and thank the Lord for the work we have been enabled to do for His name's sake. We are being urged on to still greater things for our Master by our faithful and efficient president, Mrs. Glenn and secretary, Mrs. Carroll.

With such consecrated officers any society would do well. We all feel better acquainted with our mission work and workers after studying this year the Foreign Mission Journal. It brings us in close touch and sympathy with the entire field and causes us to send up many a prayer and to give of our means when without such knowledge we would never feel the need of the field.

The new year is the time for forming new and larger plans, a time to gird up our wasting strength, to reconsecrate our energies for a greater work.

The zealous women of our societies can increase the working force of their organization more easily at this time. It is the time for resolutions to retrieve the last and improve the opportunities which the new year brings to us. We shall have only partially succeeded if we raise the amounts we are asked to give.

If we have not multiplied the number of mission societies and increased the membership of those already existing, we are remiss, we have in a measure failed, if our societies have not sent out wave after wave of vig-

lous in Christian work,

A. K. T.

Hattiesburg.

On December 11, 1901, the Woman's Missionary Society met in our beautiful new church and immediately after prayer meeting proceeded to pack our Frontier mission Box.

The many garments which are a good fit will be of great service and comfort to myself and family.

Delta and Alpha are overjoyed

with their presents and will

had good talks from Brethren write a letter to the little folks.

Clarence and Bertha send thanks for clothing.

Mrs. Pinion is truly thankful and greatly encouraged to go forward in the work.

The box, I assure you, has brought sunshine into our humble home and will enable me to devote more time solely to preaching.

You cannot guess the many hardships that we have endured in the past ten years in this frontier country—sometimes sleeping in open air on prairie, preaching in dugouts under ground—sometimes under a tree—and being often without food for myself and family.

But praise the Lord, the sisters in the States have come to our rescue in the way of clothing and I wish to say of each of these societies below that they have done nobly. Only their pastors and vice-Presidents know what a burden they each are trying to carry. We praise them for this effort and in another twelve months many more will come to the front! We beg God's people to pray for us women in Lebanon Association that we may not be sluggards in God's vineyard.

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THE BAPTIST.

TEMPERANCE.

BY W. H. PATTON.

The Saloon.

The saloon is notoriously notorious as openly and flagrantly inimical to all the best interests of our social and civil life, and of it comes no good whatever. The principle of opposition to it is founded in the very nature of government. Just so far forth as government fails of protecting society from this constant menace to social order, to personal purity, to law, and to every trust of citizenship, just so far forth it fails of its supreme end. And the principle strikes at the traffic in strong drink as represented in the saloon, the open bar. It is the saloon, and what the saloon stands for, the saloon and nothing else; the saloon as the rapacious man into which go our wasted resources by the hundred millions every year, the saloon as the breeder of passion and the birthplace of lust, and the desolation of homes and the maker of orphans and the fruitful causes of crime.

The principle of prohibition is righteous hostility to that which is everywhere a social, civil, and political curse. It involves not regulation, but extermination. We do not pass laws to regulate evils, but to suppress them. And the objective point in liquor legislation, the thing aimed at, first and last, is the saloon, the open bar, the drinking by the glass.

The saloon is outlawed in nearly all counties in the State. Why should a few river and coast counties dictate to the balance of the State. Give the people of Mississippi State prohibition, and law the saloon, place it under ban.

Legislators.

A great English statesman has said:

"It is the business of civil law to make it hard to do wrong and easy to do right." The Baptists of Mississippi, more than 100,000 strong and half of the Methodists, fifty thousand ask of you to give them State Prohibition and the women of the W. C. T. ask of you legislation concerning this terrible traffic that is the enemy of us all.

A man born in the image of God came reeling out of a liquor saloon and fell in the gutter. A gentleman came to him and asked him who he was, he says, don't you know me, I am the product of the saloon.

Drunkards and saloon keepers two links. The saloon man tells him it is my business to sell men liquor, there is my authority, I made a contract with the sheriff or municipal officers by payment of so much money. I should be licensed to run this business for twelve months. The legislature

High License.

The license on the business of retailing spirituous liquors in the Parish of Red River, was fixed on Jan. 4th, by the police jury of that parish at \$5,000.00.

If you will have high license, let it be from \$5,000.00 to \$50,000.00 for each saloon. There will not be very many of them that will pay it and it amounts to prohibition.

One of the New Orleans dailies comes out in big head lines: The Sunday saloon leads to murder. They are murder mills, they cause people to murder each other and they murder a hundred thousand annually.

Rev. A. J. Wheeler, of New Haven, Conn., in a recent visit to the county jail, asked each of the 243 inmates "What is the cause of your being here?" 241 replied, "Liquor."

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W. H. BRUTON,
Pastor Baptist Church, Ripley, Tenn.

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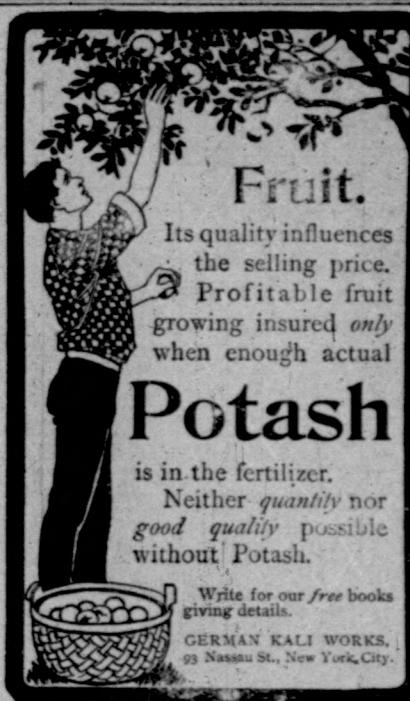
By rheumatism or any of the muscles near that organ, it is like tampering with an electric wire, for death may come at any moment. If life is worth it, do not hesitate, but get Dr. Drummond's Lightning Remedy. Send \$5.00 to the Drummond Medicine Co., New York, and they will send you two large bottles, enough for a month's treatment, by first express. It is not as quick as electricity, but will save your life if you take it in time.

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Personal.

Rev. John T. Christian is aiding in a revival meeting at Sycamore, Ill.

Rev. W. A. McClellan is in Seacret in a meeting this week at Biloxi.

Evangelist T. J. Martin is in a meeting with the Clinton church, beginning Sunday the 19th.

Dr. Theodore Cuyler celebrated his eightieth birthday last week, with his old mental and physical vigor unabated.

Rev. Ray Palmer, of Chillicothe, Mo., engaged in a great meeting at Willard Hall, Chicago. He was formerly a Mississippian.

Rev. Charles A. Eaton, of Canada, becomes pastor in Cleveland, Ohio. If he is any kin to our Dr. "Tom," we give him our hand.

The Valence Street Church, New Orleans, has extended a call to a former pastor of theirs, Rev. R. W. Merrill, of Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Rev. J. W. Lumley, our Mississippi missionary to Africa, will return in a few days to America for a necessary rest in his native land with the home folks.

We again request that Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. workers will favor THE BAPTIST with postal card reports of their methods of work and of what they are doing.

Subscriptions to THE BAPTIST have never been so satisfactory. Renewals are fine, and we are adding, on an average of fifty new subscribers every week. We feel encouraged.

For general strength and virility, "Abey's Chance," a sketch of real life in the Tennessee mountains, now running in the Baptist Union, by Mrs. Carter Helm Jones, surpasses anything we have seen in a good while.

We would call attention of our readers to Mr. A. J. Harris' advertisement of the Chicago typewriter. The testimony of those who have used it, is that there is no better machine made for the money. Write to A. J. Harris, Jackson, Miss.

Prof. Edward North, who for fifty-seven years has occupied the chair of Greek at the Hamilton College, New York, has resigned. He knows personally every living graduate of Hamilton, two of whom are of the class of 1826.

Sunday School teachers and superintendents can procure Peloubet's Select Notes on the International Sunday School Lessons for the current year. Write at once that you may have it all the year. Send \$1.00, and the book will go forward at once.

Dr. Landrum, of the First Church, Atlanta, is to be the principal speaker at the 25th anniversary of the Chicago Baptist Social Union, on February 4th. We suspect that the big First Church of Chicago is trying to decoy the popular pastor of the big First Church of Atlanta into living in Chicago.

The Junior B. Y. P. U. of the Jackson Second Church are studying the minutes of the Central Association this week, taking that as the subject for their Conquest Missionary Course next Sunday.

Rev. W. A. Tanner, of Muskogee, Indian Territory, gave a New Year's dinner to his church, to which 150 of his members came. But a Judas would say, "Why this waste—why was not this money taken and given to the poor?" What do you say?

Among the visitors at the Rooms of THE BAPTIST during the past week were Rev. R. A. Cochran, Utica; Rev. W. E. Hathorn, Clinton; Prof. A. J. Aven, Clinton; C. W. Gibson, West Point; E. L. Jones, Lucknow; Rep. D. C. Langston, Sherman; Senator N. B. Crawford.

We have engaged Prof. A. J. Aven to write a series of articles, presenting sketches of the life of our Lord. Two of these have appeared, and several letters expressive of appreciation of the Professor's style of writing these sketches have already come to our desk.

Rev. J. R. Farish, of Meridian, who does not call often, but is very weighty when he does call, slipped in on us a few days since in his own peculiar way, and said: "I have a few silver wheels for you." And he did have quite a number. May God's richest blessings rest upon this dear brother.

Free to Everybody.

Dr. J. M. Willis, a specialist of Crawfordsville, Indiana, will send free by mail to all who send him their address, a package of Pansy Compound, which is two weeks' treatment, with printed directions, and is a positive cure for constipation, biliousness, dyspepsia, rheumatism, neuralgia, nervousness or sick headache, lagrippe and blood poison.

On the day of Pentecost, when 3,000 people, in a body, joined the church, wonder if somebody didn't say they were having too much excitement! Mr. Spurgeon tells of how a young Wesleyan preacher was rebuked by a very cold, dignified Church of England preacher. The old minister attended the youngster's meeting, and arose and publicly rebuked him for having so much excitement, calling his attention to the fact that in the building of Solomon's Temple neither the noise of saw nor hammer was heard. The young Wesleyan retorted, "We are not building yet; we are just blasting the material." True, there was no noise in the building of the house, but away back up in the mountains, where Hiram's men were at work there was plenty of noise. But the noise was an incident, a result of a great cause. They did not fell those great cedars in order to make a noise, but felling them, they made a mighty noise.

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February 10th, landing of Rex in afternoon.

February 11th, day parade of Rex.

February 11th, night parade of Comus. The parades and public functions will have all the attractive features for which Mardi Gras in New Orleans has been famous, and will be executed with more brilliancy and magnificence than ever before.

The social features this year will far excel in taste and richness that of previous years.

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